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FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER

PURSUANT TO RULE 132-16 OR 15d-16 OF

THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

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Dated April 16, 2002

Fording Inc.
(Translation of Registrant's Name Into English)
Suite 1000, 205-9th Avenue SE
Calgary, Alberta Canada T2G 0R4
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)
(Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F.)
Form 20-FX Form 40-F
(Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information contained in this form is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.)
Yes No _X_
(If "Yes" is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b): 82
This report furnished on Form 6-K shall be incorporated by reference into each of the Registration Statements under the Securities Act of 1933 of the registrant.

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FORDING INC. DECLARES DIVIDEND AND SHAREHOLDERS RECONFIRM AMENDED SHAREHOLDER RIGHTS PLAN

Calgary, April 15 – Fording Inc. (TSE/NYSE: FDG) amounced today that its Board of Directors has declared a quarterly dividend of twelve and one-half cents (\$0.125) Canadian per share on the outstanding common shares, payable on June 17, 2002 to shareholders of record at the close of business on May 20, 2002.

Fording also announced that shareholders at the annual and special meeting of shareholders voted 85% in favour of the resolution to adopt certain amendments to, and reconfirm the effectiveness of the Shareholder Rights Plan.

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